



# Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## July 12, 2020



### Weekly Mass Intentions



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#### Saturday – July 11

8:00am- † Lena DeMauro  
 5:00pm- † John & Margaret Latanzio  
 7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

*Offered by:* Mt. Carmel Parish  
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#### Sunday – July 12

8:30am- † Alexander A. Zuntag  
 10:00am- † Philip & Rose Moretti  
 11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions  
 1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions  
 6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

*By:* son, Alexander E. Zuntag  
*Offered by:* Mt. Carmel Parish

#### Monday – July 13

8:00am- † Rosemarie Blaich  
 12:05pm- † John DeFeo

*Offered by:* Mt. Carmel Parish  
*Offered by:* Angelina Varrassi

#### Tuesday – July 14

8:00am- † Angelo Sabella  
 12:05pm- † John DeFeo

*Offered by:* Mt. Carmel Parish  
*Offered by:* Angelina Varrassi

#### Wednesday – July 15

8:00am~For the health of Flo Festa  
 12:05pm- † Pascuale Loffreno

*Offered by:* Angelina Varrassi  
*Offered by:* Mt. Carmel Parish

#### Thursday – July 16

8:00am- † Janet Grumino  
 12:05pm- † Josephine M. Bruno

*Offered by:* Annette Esposito  
*Offered by:* Mt. Carmel Parish

#### Friday – July 17

8:00am- † Anne Lee  
 12:05pm- † John J. Bruno

*Offered by:* Mt. Carmel Parish  
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#### Saturday – July 18

8:00am- † Liberata & Nicholas Vicoli  
 5:00pm- † The Guardiani & Sticca Families

*Offered by:* Mt. Carmel Parish  
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#### Sunday – July 19

8:30am- † Jim & Lucy DePeppo  
 10:00am- † Joseph J. Scamardella, Sr.

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### Weekly Memorials

**Bread & Wine**  
**Tabernacle Candle**  
**Memorial Candle**  
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~ For all sick members of our Parish  
 ~ For all lives lost to CoVid-19

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*“When we accept the Word of God, then we are the field of faith. Let God and his Word come into your life. Let in the seed of the Word of God. Let it germinate, let it grow. God does everything, but you let him do it! Let Him work on that growth.”*

*(Pope Francis)*



### **"The sower and the seed" (Matthew 13: 1-9)**

Scripture could not be better fit for this Sunday when we are already in the middle of summer. Indeed, the Word of God speaks to us of the abundant fruits of the earth in the parable of the sower. Although we do not live in an agricultural society as Jesus did, when looking at the greenery of the trees and parks, plants and flowers everything is an announcement of the goodness of God that does not abandon his creation. Saint Ignatius wanted us to see God's action in the creation as a reflection of God's providence. It would not hurt us to remember the words of **"Laudato Si"** by Pope Francis that encourage the world to be guardians or custodians of our common home and thus our faith leads us to produce abundant fruits.

Isaiah's poetic words and Jesus' parable shows us complementary ways of the power of the word of God. Isaiah speaks of the abundance that the Lord promises to the earth when it is watered by the rains that fertilize it, while Jesus emphasizes the diversity of the soils. The two readings are not only a reminder of the cycle of life but also of the transformative power of the Word of God. In the book of Genesis, we are told about the creative power of the Word and figuratively we can say the same about the transformative presence of Jesus in our lives. So Jesus came down and went up to heaven. But no less important is to remember that Jesus came into the world to give us life and continues to nurture us since he is the Bread of Life.

Accustomed to a pragmatic society where the use of time and the magnification of resources is the norm, it may seem a waste of time and energy to plant in stony or thorny ground. However, this parable wants to express the provident love of God that does not make any difference when spreading the seeds of his kingdom. In other words, each one of the different fields wants to be not an obstacle but a possibility to bear fruit since God gives his grace to all. The importance is in the way we administer the gifts given by God. Our faith leads us to be co-producers of a Kingdom that belongs to all and in which we are all called to flourish. Far from doubting which soils we are, perhaps it is time to recognize that we are each one of those grounds throughout our lives. Beyond being discouraged by not bearing fruit one hundredfold, let us ask for the grace of being fertile soil capable of bearing abundant fruit that fills the earth and make it flourish.

**Fr. Hernán, S.J.**

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

These readings are found complete on our parish web page ([www.olmcsi.org](http://www.olmcsi.org)). Click on "USCCB Daily Readings."

### July 12: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 55:10-11  
Psalm 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14  
Romans 8:18-23

### July 19: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19  
Psalm 86: 5-6, 9-10, 15-16  
Romans 8:26-27



**WELCOME BACK EVERYONE!** Our parish re-opened following the guidelines of the Archdiocese and the requirements of the State of New York, with 25% capacity. There is **no change** in our Mass schedule (Sunday/Weekday). Our Church is open for Baptism, Confessions, Weddings, and Funerals and we are able to use the church from 9:00AM to 4:00PM for private prayer. We are all required to follow the guidelines:

1. Wear a mask at all times in the Church, including the confessional.
2. Observe the 6 feet distance.
3. Sit in designated areas and follow the signs posted around the the church.
4. Receive Holy Communion only in the hand.
5. Ministers and priests sanitize their hands before distributing Holy Communion.

We continue praying for all who are affected by CoVid-19, their families and all who provide the very best care. May the good Lord help us find prevention and cure for the coronavirus.

***As we reopen, please make sure to follow all the precautions that we outlined. Thank You for continuing to support the parish and for the cooperation as we are planning for a safe return!***

**LIVE STREAMING / VIRTUAL MASSES WILL CONTINUE** – Keeping you connected with our parish through our Facebook page. Connect and follow us to see these transmissions in your homes. Search "olmcsi" and send a friend request. You may access these masses from your smart phone or computer.

**HOW TO REGISTER for ONLINE GIVING** - WeShare allows our parish to receive online gifts and give our parishioners a safe and easy way to do so. You are able to set up recurring donations and manage your online giving accounts. If you've never donated online before, signing up is easy! Customer service number 1-800-950-9952 or [weshare@4lpi.com](mailto:weshare@4lpi.com).

- Visit our church website and click Give Online. (Parish Website: [olmcsi.org](http://olmcsi.org))
- Select the collection or event of your choice.
- Setup your donation or payment.
- If you wish you may choose Click Recurring Donation, then enter your donation amount and frequency.

Once you've added your account information, donations will automatically deduct from your account. It's that easy!

## **GENERAL PRINCIPLES (ARCHDIOCESE OF NY) FOR CHURCH ATTENDANCE**

1. The obligation to attend Sunday Mass is suspended until further notice.
2. Those who are at a higher risk for COVID-19 (i.e., those who are older than 65 or who have underlying health conditions) are urged **NOT** to come to church for Mass. Those who cannot attend Mass may be encouraged to spend time daily reading the Scriptures, praying with their families, watching a broadcast or live-streamed Mass, and making an act of spiritual communion.
3. Those who feel in any way sick (e.g., oral temperature higher than 99.5 degrees Fahrenheit, cough, chills, muscle aches, headache, sore throat, or new loss of taste or smell) or who are worried about attendance should not enter the church.
4. In accord with current state policy, the faithful (over 2 years old) must wear cloth face coverings when in public, including when they come to church.
5. Attendees must sanitize their hands before entering the church.
6. All present at Mass should sit 6 feet or more away from other. Families may sit together.

**NEW TEMPORARY RECTORY HOURS** – Our rectory has new hours for the time being; Monday-Friday 9 AM - 4 PM (no evening or weekend hours). We will be social distancing with a number of people allowed in the office at one time. It would be best to call ahead, we might be able to help you over the phone. We pray that you are all healthy during these unprecedented times.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE)REGISTRATION FOR NEW/RETURNING STUDENTS 2020-21:** In order to create smaller than usual classes for the 20-21 Religious Education school year, we are asking parents to (re)register your children as soon as possible. All classes will continue to be offered on the same days and we are preparing for blended learning with a staggered schedule in order to be in compliance with social distancing. Once your child is registered, the schedules will be communicated to the parents. In order for your children to receive First Holy Communion or Confirmation, they must attend two years of consecutive preparation in any religious education program. You can register your child/children by filling out the enrollment form on our website ([olmcsi.org](http://olmcsi.org)), uploading any required documentation and paying the required fees. Your may call or email us with any additional questions. Enrolling your children in our program every year helps secure them a solid, joyful foundation in the faith and helps qualify them to receive their sacraments on time with their peers.